Street Haven aims to provide services that improve the quality of life of women in need and bring creative solutions to their problems.

These services include immediate support for women who come to Street Haven at the Crossroads off the street, the provision of meals and a place to sleep, a place to heal, a place to grow and a place to live independently, in accordance with what each individual woman is ready to handle and in recognition of the varied potential of each woman.

Street Haven at the Crossroads believes that all women are worthwhile and that they deserve, in addition to the physical necessities of life, to be treated with dignity and to be given the tools and opportunities to achieve their potential.

Street Haven at the Crossroads has an open-door philosophy and all of the programs are based on a non-judgmental total acceptance of the person.

Street Haven relies on its volunteers to prepare and serve meals, tutor learners, lead recreational activities, fundraise and for administrative support. Volunteer are an integral part of their programs and they are very grateful to them for their efforts and support.

Anyone interested in volunteering should contact: volunteer@streethaven.com or 416.967.6060
Get Involved and Make A Difference!

Suggest a “Caught you Caring” campaign in your school
Start a Loose Coin Collection for charities
• Establish a CLG (Catholic Leadership Group) – students from High schools to give retreats to elementary students
Organize a clothing exchange: uniforms, jerseys, sports equipment books
Write letters or poems or make cheerful posters with inspirational messages of hope and charity to the less fortunate who live/use homeless shelters.
Be a Spiritual Ambassador spreading messages of kindness to others
Simple Everyday Acts of Kindness

Help Keep Your School / Church or Family Home Clean

Help keep your school clean by picking up trash you see on the playground and wiping your feet before coming inside so you do not track mud into the classroom. Keeping your school clean also means cleaning up after yourself.
After lunch or a snack, be sure to throw away your trash. You will be doing a kind act for those around you, including the school janitor!
Go the extra mile to keep your school clean!
Volunteer to wash tables in the cafeteria after lunch, or organize a group of friends to clean your classroom or pick up trash on the playground on a weekend.
The same concepts work for being a ‘tidy-up” helper at home or volunteer with a group of your friends to help tidy up around the inside and outside of your church.

Embrace Your Mistakes

"The only real mistake is the one from which we learn nothing." ~John Powell

Just as you forgive yourself for your own mistakes, strive to forgive others for their wrong doings as well. We all make mistakes! If you can learn to forgive yourself it will be far easier to learn to forgive others. Strive to learn from both your mistakes and the mistakes of your loved ones. Take a moment to examine your responses to your mistakes. Are you being too hard on yourself? Are you not being hard enough? It is a fine balance between beating yourself up and being too lenient with yourself. Take a close look and see which side you fall on more often, and move forward from there.
Title: Change the Family Scene

**REFLECTION ON ACTIVITY:** How does being a caring family member, who respects the rights and responsibilities of all and contributes to the common good, bring you closer to living a life in the light of the Gospel values?

On a sheet of paper students list various sources of conflict and circumstances of conflict that we often face within our families, whether it is an immediate or extended member. Students discuss possible scenarios when emotions and/or reactions interfere with the resolution of an issue. As a class, decide on a scenario to play out. Using forum theatre format, students in the audience will have the opportunity to step in and change the outcome of the scene in a positive